

RESOLUTION R-4856

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO THE
ADOPTION OF A PRELIMINARY ACTION PLAN FOR THE TOTEM
LAKE BUSINESS DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the City sponsored a Totem Lake Symposium on September 16, 2010 to receive input from developers, financiers, commercial brokers, architects, Totem Lake property owners, tenants and neighborhood representatives to solicit their input on what should be done to revitalize Totem Lake; and

WHEREAS, among the suggestions expressed by Symposium attendees were to evaluate zoning and permitting changes, seek infrastructure funding from external sources, enhance and add amenities to create a sense of place, and improve connectivity for vehicles and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, the City Council received an update on October 5, 2010, that included a recital of findings from the symposium, a draft action plan and next steps; and

WHEREAS, City staff has since incorporated Council suggestions and staff recommendations into a Preliminary Action Plan for the Totem Lake Business District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby adopts a Preliminary Action Plan for the Totem Lake Business District, attached as Exhibit A, based on the findings from the Totem Lake Symposium and authorizes City staff to proceed with its implementation.

Section 2. The City Council will incorporate projects in the 2011-2016 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) that create opportunities in the Totem Lake Business District to solve storm water problems, improve transportation flow and provide public amenities. One such project shall be the potential acquisition of the portion of the Eastside Rail Corridor within the City of Kirkland. The Eastside Rail Corridor may provide storm water and mass transit solutions, as well as a potential regional recreational trail to the Totem Lake Business District.

Section 3. City staff shall complete the review of all suggestions received at the Totem Lake Symposium, categorize them into immediate, short, medium and long term actions, and establish points of accountability for each suggestion by December 31, 2010.

Section 4. The City Manager shall request that all pertinent City departments revise their 2011 work plans to reflect a focus on the revitalization of Totem Lake and report on work plan revisions to the City Council in March of 2011. The Preliminary Action Plan and Symposium suggestions shall be the initial basis for revised work plans.

Section 5. City staff shall establish a quarterly newsletter to all interested parties and the public detailing efforts related to revitalizing Totem Lake. The initial newsletter shall be distributed by December 15, 2010.

PASSED by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this ____ day of _____, 20__.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

City Attorney